

MERCENARY MOVE

On the Part of Insurgent General Pío del Pilar.

OFFER MADE TO GENERAL OTIS

To Sell out His Army and to Deliver Aguinaldo into the Hands of the Americans—For this he Asks the Modest Sum of Half a Million Dollars—Has Two Other Schemes of Treachery Which he Will Sell Cheap.

MANILA, Oct. 18.—5:55 a. m.—General Otis has received messages purporting to come from the insurgent general, Pío del Pilar, offering to sell out his army and to deliver Aguinaldo into the hands of the Americans. Although he is not satisfied that this offer is authentic, it is not intrinsically improbable. The policy of General Otis is firmly set against buying any surrenders.

Pío del Pilar offers for the sum of \$500,000 to refrain from attacking Manila with his army; for the sum of \$250,000 he offers to surrender his army after a sham battle both sides firing into the air, and for the sum of \$500,000 he says he will procure the overthrow of the insurrection and the capture of Aguinaldo, Paterno and the other leaders.

In the course of the communication he refers to Aguinaldo in contemptuous terms, indicating that strained relations exist between them.

Reports are being received from the districts occupied by the enemy that the Filipinos believe that Pío del Pilar has an audacious plan to break through the American lines into Manila and seize General Otis and the archbishop. Possibly these rumors were started with an idea of helping him to make a deal with the Americans.

It is unnecessary to say that the Americans would welcome an attack of this sort. There has been much speculation of late regarding the whereabouts of Pío del Pilar. The recent attack at La Loma is credited to him. It is believed that he is now in the vicinity of San Mateo valley with a force of from 1,500 to 3,000 men.

Ten former Spanish soldiers who were captured by the Filipinos and for a time acted as officers and members of a Filipino artillery regiment located in the vicinity of Santa Rosa. In the Laguna de Bay district determined to surrender the artillery to the Americans. The plot was discovered by the Filipinos, who killed seven of the conspirators, the other three making their escape to Manila.

It appears that when the surrender was determined upon the Spaniards delegated one of their number to proceed to Manila and to propose to General Otis to surrender, after a prearranged mock battle, about two weeks including Krupp and Nordenfah rapid fire guns, well supplied with ammunition from the Lipa powder factory, in exchange for certain sums to be paid the Spaniards who were to be pardoned for carrying arms against the Americans and to be transported to Spain.

The delegate left Santa Rosa and accompanied by three Filipinos entered the American lines at Calamba. The Filipinos did not proceed far, deciding to await his return at a given time. As the delegate as detailed in Manila longer than they had expected they grew suspicious and returned to Santa Rosa.

The plot was then revealed and the remaining Spaniards were attacked. The gunboat Nipadon, coasting near Santa Rosa, perceived two men on the beach hurriedly embarking in a canoe and pushing out toward them. She took them on board, and they reported that the Filipinos, on discovering the plot to surrender the artillery, had cut the throats of seven of their Spanish companions and that they themselves had barely escaped with their lives.

The three Spaniards are now hiding in Manila, fearing Filipino vengeance. General Otis has declined their offer through the delegate to surrender the artillery for money, but he promises to send the three to Spain.

Guerin is Again Stubborn.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—Continuing his investigations on behalf of the senate into the charges growing out of the alleged conspiracy to change the form of government, Senator Rene Berenger to-day interrogated M. Jules Guerin, the anti-Semite agitator, who recently figured in the sensational siege of "Fort Chabrol." M. Guerin, on the ground of ill health, declined to reply, confining himself to a protest that the dossier against him contained nothing but "trying police reports."

The report of Senator Berenger will be transported to the procurer general to-day or to-morrow.

Fatal Hotel Fire.

GREEN LAKE, Wis., Oct. 18.—Terrace Beach Casino, a large hotel owned by W. A. Meyer, burned to the ground at an early hour to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Jenks, parents of Mrs. Meyer, who occupied a room above the dining hall, were burned to death. The loss on the building, which is total, will amount to \$50,000. The loss on contents will reach \$100,000 more. The loss is partially covered by insurance. Mr. Jenks was lying very ill in bed and not expected to live. Mrs. Jenks made an heroic attempt to save her husband, but before she could rescue him the flames cut off all escape and the aged couple died together.



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A SERIOUS ELEMENT

In the Military Situation in the Transvaal is the Rising of the Warlike Tribe of Basutos.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Up to noon to-day no confirmation had been received of the report of serious Boer losses at Mafeking, but stories are arriving from various points so persistently and circumstantially that it appears probable the burghers have met with some measure of reverse.

Accounts of the action at Mafeking are beginning to arrive from Pretoria. Therefore if the Boers had any success it is bound soon to be known.

As foreshadowed yesterday they have succeeded in cutting off the water supply at Mafeking, but it is said there are sufficient wells in the town to supply the inhabitants.

A new and serious element in the military situation is the rising of the warlike tribe of Basutos, under Chief Moko, against the Orange Free State.

The British must keep the Basutos quiet, and the paramount chief, Lerotothi, has thus far behaved well. Reports are current, however, that the other chiefs may follow the example of Moko.

Moreover the unrest among the tribes is spreading into Zululand. Advice from Pretoria, summarizing the reports to the Transvaal government from General Cronje, in command at the chief laager on the west side, announce that the Marico and Rustenburg commandos, with field telegraph, occupied Burmann's Drift, near the outskirts of Mafeking on Monday and took possession of a fountain in the neighborhood, thus cutting off the water supply of the town. The Boer artillery then began shelling, but the British did not reply.

A Boer account of the skirmish with the British armored train south of Kimberley, says:

The train came upon the burghers while they were destroying the railway. The burghers fired upon the train with Mausers and subsequently with artillery. The third shot hit the train, which then steamed off, after which the burghers continued the work of destroying the line.

Another dispatch from Pretoria says the burghers have occupied Taung, south of Mafeking, and Lobari, to the northward, without opposition.

With regard to Norval's Pont, it appears that the Cape railway officials destroyed the bridge on their line on the Orange Free State side, and then abandoned the station.

The Orange Free State troops have destroyed the Molder river bridge without opposition.

A dispatch from Durban, Natal, says that refugees who arrived there yesterday (Tuesday) from Pretoria declare that the Boers at the Transvaal capital admitted a Boer repulse at Mafeking, eight burghers being killed and a number wounded.

All messages to and from South Africa are subjected to scrutiny at Aden.

The Samoan Question.

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—Baron Speck von Sternberg, German member of the Samoan international commission, paid a prolonged visit to the United States embassy to-day.

After the commissioner had withdrawn United States Ambassador White said to a representative of the Associated Press:

"The work of the joint commission has been thoroughly well done. Not only has it accomplished the restoration of peace in the islands, but it has removed all ill-feeling between Berlin, Washington and London, thus paving the way for more permanent arrangements by the powers concerned."

"Negotiations have now been set on foot which, doubtless, will result in an arrangement insuring peace in the islands and safeguarding the interests of the three powers."

"Of the exact nature of the proposals it is yet too early to speak. All I should say is that the discussion is proceeding in the best possible spirit."

A Sportsmanlike View.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—The London afternoon papers illustrate the sportsmanlike view taken by all sections of the English press. The St. James Gazette says: "Our regret for the Shamrock's second defeat must be outweighed by our satisfaction at the fact that the accident was provided against beforehand, and that, therefore, no opportunity for a misunderstanding could exist on this occasion."

The Shamrock's gear reached the cracking point first, and the fact that the Columbia outlasted her with the same breeze shows that the American boat is the better, which it is just the object of these matches to settle one way or the other.

The Fall Mail Gazette says: "This is a competition between constructors as well as sailors, and the American victory was perfectly fair and decisive."

What Does It Signify?

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Mrs. John Lindsay finished her 800-mile bicycle ride at 4:18 a. m. to-day, having completed the task in 91 hours 48 minutes, the best time for the distance that a woman has ever done. Last month Miss Yarnum rode 700 miles in 81 hours 5 minutes. Mrs. Lindsay did the same distance in 78 hours 15 minutes. Mrs. Lindsay slept six hours within the period of her ride.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The Jubilee Missionary Conventions Reach Their Climax.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 18.—The jubilee missionary conventions of the Christian church, which began last Thursday, reached their climax to-day when the American Christian Missionary Society continued its sessions in sections. There are over 12,000 visitors and many from this city and vicinity. Music hall with a seating capacity of over 5,000 is unable to accommodate the audiences and other halls and churches are used for the overflow meetings. The Odeon hall was used for this business session, with Dr. W. F. Richardson, presiding. Reports were heard from all the committees on different branches of the work. At the main meeting was C. E. Millard as leader of the singing. The annual address of President W. F. Richardson was on "Our Jubilee and Our Plea." The addresses of E. D. Power on "Our Cities for Christ," and of A. M. Haggard, on "State Missions to the Present," were followed by general discussions. In celebrating the hour of thanksgiving for reaching the \$100,000, the past year, for home missions, C. B. Newman made the leading address.

Corresponding Secretary Benjamin L. Smith read his annual report, from which the following was taken:

During the past half century \$2,300,000 have been raised and expended for missions, resulting in the organization of 2,831 churches by missionary work and the reception of \$5,560 persons into the church by missionaries. There are forty-six state organizations auxiliary to the general society, and these report 256,155 additions to the church under their direction.

The report shows that the last year was the most prosperous of all. Two new missionary churches have been organized every week, and 6,046 persons have been received into the various missionary churches. The board is maintaining missions in thirty-six different states, and have entered upon the work of city evangelization in forty-six cities.

The Christian church, the report said, enjoys the distinction of being the first Protestant church to enter the island of Porto Rico. J. A. Erwin went there in November, 1888, and is carrying on a successful mission in San Juan. The work has been greatly enlarged and the list of missionaries maintained is a formidable one. Five gifts of \$5,000 each were given during the last year as endowments of missionaries, the home board agreeing in the name of the church to maintain a home missionary during all the years.

The society is out of debt and the report stated, looks to the future with promise of success. The fields of Mexico, Canada, and the foreign missions are all asking attention and will doubtless receive it.

The report recommended an evangelistic movement throughout the church to close the century and plans for a thousand missionary revival meetings to be held throughout the country during 1900.

THEY ARE CONVINCING.

Statement of a Neighbor is to be Believed.

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Mr. F. F. Smart, No. 1004 Thirteenth street Parkersburg, a retired farmer, says: "I have been a sufferer from kidney disease for years. The secretions of the kidneys were very frequent and excessive, and contained a whitish sediment. I suffered constantly with pain across my back and with rheumatism in my limbs; the doctors said my trouble was diabetes. I was never able to get anything that would cure me and I tried a number of different remedies. I heard about Morrow's Kid-ne-olds being a sure cure for backache, and I decided to try them; in about a week after I began using Kid-ne-olds my backache was entirely gone and my urine was restored to its normal condition, and the rheumatism greatly relieved. I cannot say too much in praise of Morrow's Kid-ne-olds, what they have done for me is truly wonderful."

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THIS SCHEME WORKED.

Swindler's Way of Getting Money on Draft and Forged Copy.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: A novel fraud by which a Minnesota bank was induced innocently to abet the robbing of a Montana bank has perplexed recently one of the detective agencies. Inquiries made last week at a St. Paul hotel as to a possible guest who wore a silk hat, a Prince Albert coat and gray mutton-chop whiskers revealed the nature of the criminal scheme. But the inquiring detective would not repeat names.

A few weeks ago, said the detective, the very respectable gentleman with the silk hat bought of a country bank not far from this city a draft on New York for \$1,000 payable for it in currency. He explained he was going to a small town in Montana and that he did not care to take so large a sum with him in cash. Would the cashier kindly notify the only bank in that Montana town that he had sold the New York draft to Mr. Hat, and that Mr. Hat would cash the draft at the Montana town? Certainly the cashier would write. He did write. And when the owner of the draft appeared a few days later at the Montana bank he found not the slightest difficulty in getting cashed a forged copy of the draft.

You're Mr. Hat, of Philadelphia, of course," said the exchange clerk in Montana. "We received a letter from the bank that told you the draft. Let's see?" Tall, gray side-whiskers, very subdued manner for the man, he was all right. Description, it matter of form, you know. Your signature? Exact, of course."

So, with apologies for taking the usual precautions, the clerk, upon comparing the signatures of Mr. Hat, accepted his receipt and gave him all in gold. \$1,000. As the new customer went out he made a particularly good joke about the Montana weather.

The old gentleman with the subdued manner had copied the original draft upon a blank that he had somehow secured from the Minnesota bank. The letter from the bank would naturally have quieted any suspicion in Montana, for the letter gave, as usual, the number of the draft and other details, which were fully corroborated in the forged copy. Inasmuch as the letter proved to the Montana bank that Mr. Hat must possess an original draft for the amount required, the bank would never entertain the thought that a forged copy would be presented by the holder of the original. Thus the cashing of the forgery was easy.

At once the gentle defrauder took the next train for Minnesota. He reappeared before the cashier of the Minnesota bank, and smiled through an unctuous apology.

"I'm extremely sorry to trouble you again," said the urbane gentleman, "but you see I've decided not to make that Montana trip this month. I have found a little real estate deal up in St. Paul where I can invest the money to better advantage, at least for the present. Now, will you be good enough to cancel your draft here," (extending the bona fide original) "and let me have the \$1,000?"

The Minnesota cashier was as agreeable as had been the Montana clerk. The agreeable Philadelphia received his second \$1,000. He smiled. The cashier smiled. The Montana clerk kept smiling whenever he thought of that affable stranger who made so pleasant a little joke about the weather. Everybody continued to smile until the Montana bank drew upon the Minnesota bank for \$1,000 advanced upon a draft. Then the smile was but on a smaller left—the polished, the respectable, the witty Mr. Hat, of Philadelphia.

NAME CENTER LOCATED.

Curious Mental Phenomena is Scientifically Explained.

Albany Journal: Most persons occasionally experience the annoyance of finding themselves suddenly unable to remember a familiar name. The name may slip from memory just as the mind is in the act of recalling it and the lips are about to pronounce it. Sometimes it is possible to bring the suddenly vanished word back to memory by a strong and concentrated mental effort; more often all endeavors are in vain. In the latter case the victim of the lapse of memory can soonest bring the forgotten name back to mind by relaxing all efforts to remember. Usually, when he has done that, the name comes back as suddenly as it departed.

Years ago, an Austrian scientist declared that the human brain contains a "name center," that is, a cell whose office is the retention of names of persons and things. He said it is situated under the temple. Heretofore medical men had never been able to prove or disprove the theory, but recently a surgical case in the city of Cleveland gave physicians of that city the long desired opportunity.

Patrick Walker, a brakeman, was shot in the head, and as a result of his injury he could not remember the name of any person or thing, though he was conscious and rational. He described the man who shot him, but could not recall his name, though he knew that he had known it. He could not remember even his own name. Different articles were placed before him and he was asked to name them, but he was unable to do so. At the same time he could describe their uses.

The physicians who attended the man concluded that the bullet was passing upon the "name center" of the brain and had paralyzed it. They probed for it, and found it exactly where the Austrian scientist had declared that center to be situated. When the bullet was removed and the pressure on that part of the brain was thus relieved, the wounded man's memory of names returned, and he became at once able to tell the name of his assailant.

Medical men consider the proof of the Austrian scientist's theory of great importance. But it remains for them to discover the means by which the brain, who suddenly find themselves unable to remember familiar names can arouse the sluggish "name center" to activity.

THREE LIVES LOST

By a Destructive Conflagration at Kalebustown, Indiana.

KNIGHTSTON, Ind., Oct. 18.—The most serious fire in the history of this town broke out early to-day. Three lives were lost and property worth \$100,000 was destroyed.

The dead are: Truman Rhodes, Fon Davey and Charles Scatter.

The men were members of the volunteer fire department and were fighting the flames when the front walls fell backward. But it remained for the falling brick and crushed to death and it believed that at least two others met the same fate. The Masonic temple, the largest building in the city, was destroyed, together with the building occupied by E. C. Anderson, dealer in household goods; Green Bros.' saloon and Davey Bros. dealers in notions. The fire is supposed to have originated from an explosion of natural gas.

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9	for 9 years.....	342	of 500.04 for 1,727
10	for 10 years.....	380	of 555.60 for 1,928
11	for 11 years.....	418	of 611.16 for 2,129
12	for 12 years.....	456	of 666.72 for 2,330
13	for 13 years.....	494	of 722.28 for 2,531
14	for 14 years.....	532	of 777.84 for 2,732
15	for 15 years.....	570	of 833.40 for 2,933
16	for 16 years.....	608	of 888.96 for 3,134
17	for 17 years.....	646	of 944.52 for 3,335
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